

Claims:

1. A telescopic construction comprising:
an outer member;
an inner member slidably fitting in the outer member;

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a shear ring mounted on at least either an inner circumferential surface of the outer member or an outer circumferential surface of the inner member,

wherein a shear permissive projection is provided
10 on the shear ring,

a groove is provided in at least either the inner circumferential surface of the outer member or the outer circumferential surface of the inner member; and

wherein the shear permissive projection is in
15 engagement with the groove.

2. The telescopic construction as set forth in Claim
1, further comprising:

a metallic ring which fits on either an outer
20 circumferential side or an inner circumferential side
of the shear ring,

wherein the shear ring contains a synthetic resin.

3. The telescopic construction as set forth in Claim
25 1, wherein the shear ring is divided in a circumferential

direction thereof.

4. An automotive steering column apparatus comprising:

an inner column rotatably supporting a steering

5 shaft;

an outer column holding the inner column while
rotatably embracing the inner column;

a vehicle body side bracket having a vehicle body
mount portion which can be mounted on a vehicle body and
10 a pair of left and right facing flat plate portions which
extend substantially vertically and disposed in such a
manner as to surround the outer column;

15 a clamping mechanism for changing a width of the
pair of facing flat plate portions and changing a width
of an inner circumferential surface of the outer column
in connection with a change in the width of the pair of
facing flat portions; and

20 a shear ring mounted on at least either the inner
circumferential surface of the outer column or an outer
circumferential surface of the inner column,

wherein a shear permissive projection is provided
on the shear ring,

25 a groove is formed in at least either the inner
circumferential surface of the outer column or the outer
circumferential surface of the inner column, and

the shear permissive projection is in engagement with the groove.

5. The automotive steering column apparatus as set forth in Claim 4, further comprising:

a metallic ring which fits on either an outer circumferential side or an inner circumferential side of the shear ring,

wherein the shear ring contains a synthetic resin.

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6. The automotive steering column apparatus as set forth in Claim 4, wherein the shear ring is divided in a circumferential direction thereof.